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Councilmember Atkins and City Attorney Casey Gwinn To Co-Sponsor Domestic Violence Awareness March and Rally October 13

Resource Fair To Be Held On City Concourse

SAN DIEGO — In an effort to raise awareness of domestic violence in San Diego, Third District City Councilmember Toni Atkins and City Attorney Casey Gwinn will co-sponsor a March on City Hall, Domestic Violence Resource Fair, and "Not to be Forgotten" rally on Monday, October 13th.

The March on City Hall, from the Family Justice Center at 707 Broadway to the San Diego Concourse, will take place at 11am. Over 30 service providers from around San Diego County will contribute to a resource fair on the San Diego Concourse, from 11am to 2:30pm. At 1:00pm, Councilmember Atkins will welcome the crowd, which will include both city employees and the general public. The keynote speaker will be best-selling author Joseph Wambaugh. Other speakers include State Senator Dede Alpert, County Supervisor Pam Slater, and Councilmember Donna Frye. Following the rally, Councilmember Atkins will present a City Council resolution proclaiming October to be "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" in the City of San Diego.

"Survivors and witnesses alike suffer a pain that sometimes can't be forgotten; a pain that can leave invisible scars that remain in the memories and hearts of people that have lived with violence in their homes," said Councilmember Atkins. "It's important that as we remember survivors, we also remember witnesses, who are often children."

The "Not to be Forgotten" rally will feature musical group "Abigail's Attic," as well as teen theater performed by Planned Parenthood. The rally will also feature educational exhibits and children's art work.

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